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Status						
1)⊠ Re	sponsive to communication(s) filed on <u>6 Jun</u>	<u>e 2005</u> .				
2a)☐ Thi	This action is FINAL. 2b)⊠ This action is non-final.					
3)☐ Sin	ce this application is in condition for allowan	ce except for formal matters, pro-	secution as to the merits is			
clo	sed in accordance with the practice under E	x parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	3 O.G. 213.			
Disposition	of Claims					
4)⊠ Cla	im(s) <u>1-20</u> is/are pending in the application.	•				
4a)	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
5)⊠ Cla	im(s) <u>8,9 and 18-20</u> is/are allowed.					
	im(s) <u>1,2 and 15</u> is/are rejected.					
( a b	im(s) <u>3-7, 10-14, 16, and 17</u> is/are objected					
8)∐ Cla	im(s) are subject to restriction and/or	election requirement.				
Application	Papers					
9)[] The	specification is objected to by the Examiner	r.				
10) <b>□</b> The	drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) _ acce	epted or b) objected to by the E	Examiner.			
App	licant may not request that any objection to the o	drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See	37 CFR 1.85(a).			
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
Priority und	er 35 U.S.C. § 119					
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) All b) Some * c) None of:  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No  3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.						
Attachment(s)			•			
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)						
2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  Paper No(s)/Mail Date  5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-948)  6) Other:						

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## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, 2, and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Nobileau et al. (4903776).

Nobileau et al. disclose a one trip method of tensioning and sealing a string comprising: running a string ("casing", col. 2, line 56) and a seal 81 together into a wellhead 11; securing the string (col. 5, line 48); positioning the seal 81 (figure 2b); pulling a tensile force (col. 6, line 42); securing the seal (col. 6, line 37); securing the seal 81 to the hanger 17 (figure 2b); and securing the hanger 17 and seal 81 to the wellhead (figure 4b).

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 8, 9, and 18-20 are allowed.

Claims 3-7, 10-14, 16, and 17 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

## Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see page 7, filed 6 June 2005, with respect to the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102 have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Nobileau et al. Based on figure 4b, the examiner concludes seal or packoff 81 remains in the well after the mandrel 27 attached to running tool 25 is pulled to the surface (col. 6, lines 54-62). Further, the disclosure suggests a one trip method since there is no mention of another tool to seal then release the mandrel.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matthew J. Smith whose telephone number is 571-272-7034. The examiner can normally be reached on T-F, 9-4.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David J. Bagnell can be reached on 571-272-6999. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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